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1. ASAHI SHIMBUN UNDER CAPTION QTE WILL GIVE TESTIMONY ON BRINGING-
IN OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS?, FORMER CAPTAIN OF US 7TH FLEET INTENDS
TO COME TO JAPAN TO ATTEND WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST ATOMIC AND
HYDROGEN BOMBS UNQTE CARRIED FOLLOWING ARTICLE JULY 12: QTE THE JAPAN
COUNCIL AGAINST ATOMIC AND HYDROGEN BOMBS (GENSUIKYO; JCP
AFFILIATION, ETC.) ANNOUNCED ON THE 11TH THAT ADMIRAL GENE
R. LAROCQUE, WHO IS WELL INFORMED ON THE ACTUAL SITUATION OF
THE NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS OF THE US NAVY AS THE FORMER CAPTAIN OF
THE OKLAHOMA CITY (SIC), FLAGSHIP OF THE US 7TH FLEET, INTENDS
TO COME TO JAPAN AS A SPECIAL GUEST TO ATTEND THE WORLD CONFERENCE

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AGAINST ATOMIC AND HYDROGEN BOMBS IN AUGUST AND GIVE "TESTIMONY"

ON THE NUCLEAR STRATEGY STRUCTURE INCLUDING THE BRINGING-IN OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO THE US MILITARY BASES IN JAPAN. ACCORDING TO GENSUIKYO, ADMIRAL LAROCQUE IS A CAREER MILITARY OFFICER WHO RETIRED THREE YEARS AGO, AFTER A CLASH WITH PRESIDENT NIXON OVER HIS CRITICISM OF THE VIETNAM WAR. AT PRESENT, HE IS REPORTEDLY PUTTING EMPHASIS ON PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES, ETC., AIMED AT ABOLITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, BY OPENING IN WASHINGTON A NATIONAL DEFENSE INFORMATION CENTER WHICH IS A CIVIL ORGANIZATION. REPORTS SAY THAT IN THE FALL OF THE YEAR BEFORE LAST, WHEN LEADERS OF GENSUIKYO VISITED THE UNITED STATES AND CALLED ON ADMIRAL LAROCQUE THE ADMIRAL MADE A SERIOUS STATEMENT HINTING AT THE BRINGING-IN OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO JAPAN. AS FOLLOWS: (1) ALL THE SHIPS BELONGING TO THE 7TH FLEET FLAGSHIP SQUADRON, SUCH AS CRUISERS AND DESTROYERS, ARE EQUIPPED WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND (2) THERE CAN BE NO SUCH CASE AS THAT THE SHIPS WILL ENTER THE YOKOSUKA NAVY PORT AFTER HAVING THE NUCLEAR EQUIPMENT REMOVED AND TRANSSHIPPED INTO REPAIR SHIPS, ETC., IN THE OUTER OCEAN. IN HIS LETTER WHICH ACCEPTED (THE INVITATION) TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE, THE ADMIRAL REPORTEDLY SAID, " I AGREE TO HAVE THE TRUTH KNOWN, IN ORDER TO MOUNT THE WORLD'S PUBLIC OPINION." UNQTE

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